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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: FALLE'S MEETING WITH GARBA

1. JOHNNIE GRAHAM TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER JULY 13 THAT SIR SAM FALLE HAD SEEN COMMISSIONER GARBA THE PREVIOUS DAY IN LAGOS. GARBA RESPONDED NEGATIVELY BUT VAGUELY TO THE IDEA OF A NIGERIAN CONTINGENT IN A COMMONWEALTH FORCE DURING THE RHODESIA TRANSITION. HE GAVE NO PRECISE REASONS. NIGERIA HOWEVER WOULD RELUCTANTLY ACCEPT A ROLE IN A UN OR OAU FORCE, GARBA SAID' BUT SUCH A FORCE WOULD HAVE TO BE "ALL BLACK". LOGISTICAL SUPPORT COULD BE NON-AFRICAN.

2. GARBA TOLD FALLE THAT NIGERIA REGARDS THE OAU DECISION TO RECOGNIZE THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AS APPLYING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS ONLY. POLITICALLY, NIGERIA CONSIDERS THE RHODESIA FIELD OPEN.

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3. COMMENT: WHILE DISAPPOINTED WITH NIGERIA'S PRESENT IMPRECISE REJECTION OF A COMMONWEALTH FORCE, GRAHAM BELIEVES GARBA'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE RHODESIA PROBLEM IS GENERALLY CONSTRUCTIVE AND THAT NIGERIA IS PREPARED TO WORK POSITIVELY WHEN CALLED UPON.

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